

Hekman Library Highlights

- Librarians taught 69 research sessions on research methodology in English 101 and discipline-specific classes in the spring semester. More than 1,200 students participated in these sessions.
- Reference librarians answered 2,673 questions at the Research Assistance Desk, and 176 appointments were made with librarians to discuss research problems.
- The total number of questions asked has been decreasing, but the number of difficult questions is increasing. During the spring semester, 21.5 percent of the questions asked were rated as “complex,” while only 10.5 percent were categorized as “complex” in the same period of 2004-2005.
- On April 7, 2006, the library hosted a reading of works of several Festival of Faith & Writing authors, read by Gary Schmidt (English) and Otto Selles (French). Thirty-two people attended the event.
- Over 100 study carrels were equipped with electrical outlets to assist the increasing number of students with laptop computers. These “power carrels” are scattered throughout floors three, four, and five.